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LETTER DATED 24 SEPTEMBER 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit two notes verbales, with attachments, dated 24 May 1991, from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington to the Embassy of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria to be forwarded to the United States Department of State on the violation of territory of the Islamic Republic of Iran by the forces of the United States of America in the Persian Gulf region.

It would be highly appreciated if this letter was circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Kamal KHARRAZI
Ambassador
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Annex I

Note verbale dated 24 May 1991 from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington addressed to the Embassy of Algeria in Washington

The Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington presents its compliments to the Embassy of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria and has the honour to quote the attached message in two copies, the original text and an unofficial translation, received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran. It is respectfully requested that the original text of the message be transmitted to the United States Department of State and our office be informed of its response.

Enclosure

According to information received from officials of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, United States warships positioned in the Sea of Oman and the Persian Gulf have created a nuisance for Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft on the following dates and locations:

1. On 1 January 1991 at 0955 hours, seven United States warships and one aircraft carrier at the position N2607 and E5222 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N2616 and E5232, not to get closer to the warship.

2. On 16 January 1991 at 0910 hours, a United States warship warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N2633 and E5312, not to get closer to the warship and to change its course 120 degrees.

Interceptions by United States aircraft

1. On 29 November 1990 at 1025 hours, two United States aircraft at the position N2820 and E5020 intercepted an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran protests such illegal actions by the Government of the United States.

Annex II

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According to information received from officials of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran:

1. On 28 February 1991 at 1100 hours, United States helicopter No. 2582 flew over the tugboat Samnakoy belonging to the company "Continental Shelf" and around Abuzar oil platform for a period of 45 minutes and, after its departure, another helicopter, No. 2662, flew reconnaissance over the said tugboat.

2. On 2 March 1991 between 0900 and 1000 hours, seven United States warships were seen about seven miles away from Abuzar oilfield, oil well No. 14, in the Khark region.

The entrance of United States warships and helicopters into the territories of the Islamic Republic of Iran without acquiring permission are an infringement on the principles of international law, a vivid aggression against territorial integrity and a violation of the rights of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Therefore the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran strongly protests these unjustifiable, illegal and wilful actions of the United States Government, which are contrary to the Government's international treaties, and insistingly demands that these aggressions be stopped at once.